PRESENT DISCONTENT OF WOMEN THE MOMENTOUS PROBLEM BEFORE AMERICAN PEOPLE, SAYS DR. BARUCH

Sums Up the Situation in Four Parts, Biologically, Economically, Politically and Historically

trines of the feminists,

these gentlemen are

d carnest most of their statence either an acrid antagonism tic conviction, neither of self. nduces to a clear, logical, conclusion," said Dr. Baruch. More than fifty years ago I entered study of 'Sexual Differentiain Health and Disease,' which was abject of my graduation thesis. which would loom up under the guise of feminism as a topic of momentous

"Feminism appears to have become a great world movement in which men have hitherto displayed indifference or nterest. That men eminent in respective professions have recently regarded this subject of sufficient to publish their views in the daily press would indicate that at least emotion and sentiment are to be supal by logic and science on both

It is to be regretted that many of the nts deal in generalities and do not sustain their position by the biological or historical proofs to which they apapparent earnestness. Examse range one recognizes that scientists are engaged in effort of proving that the brain of he same as that of man, a that no intelligent person Others attempt to prove are intellectually the sunen because they stand a litin college classes. Prof. Bergson claims that he never could disessays submitted to him any of male or female ratiocina-

similarity of the brain of the They claim to honor the great superiority of woman in the building up all that this implies, espespiritual rearing of children. of all future citizenship. Truly Emerson said, 'Civilization is the rk of good women.'

the views of the feminists. female, in parallel lines with

"THE BIOLOGIST." and all would have expected animal that other related animal that other related animal that mals, such as the superior show evidence of the same influence; as a conty fact, however, all over male has the mammalian species and hird development unhapped with the same and hird development.

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at this 'dependence of the hule' for her material sustenance to accomplish better, der things than 'killing' and t the human female 'lead the Even the feminist will not ates into giving her the sufthat an entire political party former positive attitude on mann. Mme.

logy may carry us is illusy in the recent address of a report of a meeting at the r. February 20:

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der of mammalia is the highest nimal life and we, the female, der mammalia and the female

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did cook and make clothes for that time he has been taken of extra child and he has conwhy he is obsessed with the

ins also, she says, 'why man iggling with might and main men. emancipation of woman." the physical aspect of femsaid the reporter. "How more important spiritual side?" adid writer." answered Dr. " male, among some species.

garded as a fallen representa-not to appear in the hobble and slit of for the advantage of having dresses decreed by Paul Poiret. sex. I am unable to accept

has been much discussion among the bees the drone is the fussing regarding the revolution-

"The fact that no such incongruity is der to obtain a scientific found in the mammal with whom the sentimental basis for an male is always dominant does not conpresentative of THE SUN cern her. As a natural corollary she

Dr. Simon Baruch, whose on the subject indicate a position and whose retrore than a half century instense discussions on slavery culminated in the civil war, the took an active and conset.

"We may not like it and of course refuse to own it, but there is something of Ann in every woman. In every case she is the pursuer, he the pursued and disposed of. Nothing should or can alter this. Because of the superiority of the female in the sexual relationship, women must be granted emancipation. This tremust be granted emancipation. This trethe male and female brain professors contributed to trained and unemancipated women. Above this burning question of all, each woman must understand her was asked. that she may realize the tremendous force of sexual hunger which drives him to her equal, I believe, to the desire within her-

> "I refrain from quoting other passages that would be more revolting to conventional ideas. These and other unvarnished 'truths' answer the earnest protest of a womanly and splendid leader in the movement for suffragethat it has never been connected with 'free love.' I am certain it would never be if she could control her followers as she deserves."

the offspring of partisanship, since at that time the word 'feminist' was unknown and of the 'female franchise' I says:'If any one cares to claim that the brain of woman is inferior to or in any essential respect different from that of belief in his personal experience or in the archives of history."

"True," said Dr. Baruch, "but if I remember correctly he tries to prove his statement by the fact that he has never observed such evidence among th students of his mixed classes. Although as a physician he must know that one man's experience is the weakest kind of clinical evidence, he unconsciously avoids the only reliable evidence, 'the archives of history,' though he appears to it in the statement.

"History furnishes astounding proofs of this 'essential difference' in great abundance; only a mere fragment must suffice for my purpose. The rise of woman from her Biblical subjection has been brought about by man to a point at which she has become the most potent influence in the highest realms in religion and civilization, in the making of war and peace. Although history does not afford many instances where woman ruled directly it abounds the power behind the throne' for good or evil. That she is no less so in our republic is proved by her complete conquest of the leader of a new party, the best type of masculinity, in the matter

also have found if he had not avoided the damaging evidence that the actual making of history was done not by woman with the passive mind out by man of quite different mould-the brute with the dominant mind who fought and bled and suffered that he might have a country and that the woman might have home where her different but grande natural qualities might find free scope

"No reasoning man believes that the hard earned man's home will be dis rupted by the strivings of the feminists Long before this will happen the brute with whom the suffragist seeks equality and above whom the feminist shrick superlority will crush her as the law of nature with its wonted cruelty will When femininity departs womankind the masculinity of man will unhappily lose the refining influence that now holds in reverent restraint his normal brutality."

"Pardon the suggestion, Dr. Baruch. the reporter said, "but is not this more or less speculation."

"A truce to speculation!" answered Dr. Baruch. Let the professor of phys. ology shake off the feministic hypnotism and open the 'archives of history not of wars but the history of the beneficent struggles of peace and ask himself what evidence of 'essential differ-ence' is here to be found between man "I say it reverently and without yield-

ing one jot of my admiration for woman's fachievements in other and higher spheres that woman has not brought forward a single epoch making original work or discovery or invention the has 'led the herds' of ten alone. In art she has never produced a creative genius approaching even in the slightest degree to a Raphael, a led to espouse her cause, Rubens, a Titian, a Velasquez, a Leoelf dominated by a man of nardo da Vinci, a Michael Angelo, a intense masculinity who has Holbein. True, there are Angelica Kauf-Bonheur and Cecelia Beaux, but there lengths the assent to this are many more men in their class. Walter Dam'esch and the great musical periority over him!

inist, which presents the fol- critic Mr. Henderson that there has nstructed biology. I quote not been one creative woman. Chaminade and Liza Lehmann are mentioned with just pride, but they fade into insignificance alongside of a Mozart, a Beethoven, a Bach, a Verdi, a

"The most astounding historical evi dences of this 'essential difference' are found, singularly enough, in woman's own sphere, the home, in which she had opportunity to discover the crying need of many changes for her own betterment if her brain had been endowed with creative capacity. Who relieved her of the eternal stitch stitch but Howe. the man. Who stilled the weary foot that drove the spinning wheel? Arkman was only a fighter and wright, the man. Who are the greatest cooks; who improved cooking processes? Sover and Rumford and many chefs. Who designed and constructed the mos artistic furniture? Chippendale and Eastlake, men. Who abolished the canfunctions of motherhood and dle and the oil lamp and brought illuminating gas and electricity to brighten and comfort her? Murdoch and Edison,

"And leaving out other less obviously important inventions, who succeeded in ameliorating and removing the travail of woman? Not the famous midwives. but James Y. Simpson, the man. Who says about the spiritual side has long designed the very clothes she int work published by Dodd, wears but Worth and Beer and Poiret, Company, 'The Truth About who rule women's fashions as no King Our character is forged in or Emperor has done? Only the other day an Austrian General was dismissed because he ordered the officers' wives

"And in the welfare work of the world



an epoch which women are striving so cal handleap, valiantly to make enduring, and which for this reason will surely succeed, because this work is within their biologic cal province. And singularly enough the first propagandist for the higher education of woman was Richard Mulcaster, in 1681; and John Stuart Mill 300 years later pleaded for the emanci-

pation of woman, although his education was man made. "The feminists rall at the cruelty of man to woman. They inveigh against the 'life servitude imposed upon her for ages in a man made world,' when man has really striven to emancipate her from the grind of the household, to beautify her dwelling place, to alleviate her travail, in short to make her his queen, and despite the divine flat man now racks his brain to maintain her su

"Who can doubt that the brain of woman 'essentially differs' from that of man when these facts are regarded in connection with the startling absence of exceptions, only one being recorded. Mme. Curie, the copartner with her husband in the discovery of radium?"

"But, Dr. Baruch," the reporter interrupted, 'may I suggest that you per-haps have not given due weight to the fact that woman has not been afforded the opportunities that man has had? May not this be the reason of almost the entire absence of great creative work? For instance, an eminent physician has recently stated that women doctors have not had a fair chance because the doors of the medical schools have only been open as a mere crack."

"This gentleman's specialty is insanity, in which he is an expert of justly high repute," replied Dr. Baruch. It would appear that the doors must have been ajar or the faculty of squeez ing through cracks must be a new feminine characteristic, for he himself writes that 'the census of 1900 gives the number of women physicians and surgeons as 7,387.' I think the number will be found doubled in the last census and up to date."

What is your view, Dr. Baruch, of the statement made by this physician that 'there is no reason why in time. when all the barriers against them have been broken down, there should no arise some woman surgeon equal to or even superior to any man we now

"The absence of originality and in-

onscience to the shameful exploitation she elicits our admiration for having and to grow rich, famous and woman's of child labor? Here was a creator of accomplished so much with this biologic benefactor.

"Surgery demands creative capacity and mechanical ingenuity to devise operations and instruments. Deftness voman has or may acquire, but marked originality does not exist in her germ plasm. Moreover, surgery is an occupation repugnant to a real woman. If the doctor had said that there may some day be greater insanity experts than now found among men I should be inclined to agree with him. That womankind 'may in time produce a surgeon superior to any man we now have' car

only be the dream of a feminist. "However, your suggestion is quite reasonable," said Dr. Baruch. "The fact that all through the history of the housands of years of human life and endeavor there is not even sufficient exception to the rule to prove it.' as hey say, demonstrates that great orig inality, initiative, is a masculine quality From the enormous material, including all epoch making discoveries or great achievements, it is safe to say that a majority sprang from the brain of met who were most wofully handicapped. and who by reason of their masculine courage, persistence and doggedness swept the handicap aside."

"That is a strong statement, Dr. Baruch. Could you give some striking

"Let us begin with Christopher Co-lumbus," said Dr. Baruch, "whose of a poor wood comber, and who became a sailor at 15. His early years were stormy and troubled, but he mastered duties, the chief reason for their enwithout a teacher the works of Ptolemy. then known sciences essential to his work cannot be overestimated, hies in calling; he learned to draw charts, etc.' the essential mental difference between the sexes, in the essential biological "Lincoln went to school altogether twelve months, and his mother and difference in their brain. Because this stepmother taught him the three Rs. said, when President of the United 'The education I now have I have picked up under the pressure of necessity.' President Garfield ran away from his humble home, became a sailor, canal driver and carpenter. Though

capped?

sent to school only two months out of the year, and still he worked his way to an education until he was 25 and be-

"The greatest figure in contemporaneous history. Col. Goethals, the builder of the Panama Canal, was an errand boy at 11, became a bookkeeper studied and worked hard to enter the 'ity College, where a lecture on military life by a West Pointer impelled him to ask Gen. Grant for an appointment; re-Congressman Cox to appoint him in 1876. The male germ plasm impelled him to overcome obstacles that no

woman can do. "What opportunity had Carnegie the fronmaster, and his young aid, Charles M. Schwab; or Fels, or Stern, or Altman, or Woolworth, the great merchants; or Jacob Schiff, the great banker, who glories in having helped enemy of his people? Hundreds of poor prosperous and then benefited others. Though they endured hardships they made their own opportunity. How many not the mother or sister of one of thes: men who actually began the busines develop it? Because woman has not the germ plasm of courage and initiative.'

"Do you not think, doctor, that women would have achieved greater things if they had not been limited by custom to the monotonous duties of the

household?"
"While their opportunitles for great work were limited by their conventional confinement to one occupation, home tire absence of great achievements outside of the emotional lines, in which their cannot be demonstrated anatomically is no more reason to doubt it than to doubt the difference between most sane and insane persons, because there is no movement do not doubt that blood will anatomical difference between their flow. . brains discernible.

"There are and have been great singcanal driver and carpenter. Though sick with ague for four years he studied like Patti and Jenny Lind and Melba Men shrink from revolution, and this fight.' Result, their conquest. The "Has any woman been more handi- and Sembrich, and great actresses, like evolution of woman's morality is likely Rachel, Siddons, Bernhardt, Ellen Terry. to affect every part of sex relationship

women in the physical or mental care a suffragist leader who recently atitiative in the woman's brain cells, as "Elias Howe, the inventor of the sew-shown in other departments of work," is mo fault of hers; it sharpener in a basement shop. A woman is the defect of her germ plasm, and belied him to develop the interval of the physical or mental care a surragist leader who recently at the more mental care as surragist leader who recently at the more mental care a character of the female. who stands above the lamented Edgar said Dr. Baruch, "is no fault of hers; it sharpener in a basement shop. A woman tasks. The physical rearing and spirit-no organization, spider destroys the male, and Allan Murphy, who aroused the public is the defect of her germ plasm, and helped him to develop his invention at guidance of children, the making following facts.

Well Known Authority Gives a Scientific Opinion of Feminism—Proper Study of Mankind Is Woman

and conservation of home, so that it may be worthy of man and woman living in true comradeship, surpasses, despite the slurs and contempt of the lin Germany the feminists are actively not encouraged him to study? would Howe have accomplished without the help of his cousin? The greatest men, living or dead, have reverted with reverence to their mothers' influence.

"With few exceptions women really attained noteworthy achievements only in feminine lines. Florence Nightingale became a ministering angel to the wounded in the Crimea when the doctors gave up in despair. While the letter of the War Secretary asking her to go to the Crimea was on the way to be a defended begun her benefher she had already begun her beneficent fourney, driven by the germ plasm within her brain. Her systematizing of the nurses' work resulted in the splendid trained nursing that not 'soothes of the world.' This agrees exactly with of in woman.

lished in the world it will be, though

eminist movement, which one of the destroy the republic. Johns Hopkins professors has char-

Bergson, Sedgwick and others that it which appears to menace us with the cial fabric as did the French Revolution. wick and Bergson. When the Johns The marvellous moral development and the enhanced sense of justice in the human mind that are the products of over and other will meaning persons progress during the last hundred and regard the peculiar claim of extreme twenty-five years endow this revolu-tionary movement with features that would exclude the violent and insane cruelties of that momentous historical event, and the much ridiculed chivalry of men, which has borne its fullest fruit-men, which has borne its fullest fruit-ing the letter years insures imtwenty-five years endow this revolu- feminists as mouthy vaporings I am age during the latter years, insures im-munity from the sanguinary proceed-battles, in captivity and during the ings of that revolution.

tragedies of the French Revolution may be enacted in a modified form by their opponents I tell them that if the grievproposents I ten them
inces of the feminists are even approxmately as serious as were those in"I would urge serious consideration same anarchistic tendencies are covertly following wise counsel: or openly betrayed by the feminists. claiming that the published accounts of the sayings and doings of the feminists betray their socialistic, if not anarchistic, trend. They insist that since every socialist is a feminist and every feminist is a suffragist, most suffragists are embryo feminists, hence they are unconsciously putative socialists.

"They cite the public utterance of a statesmanlike suffragist leader at Carnegle Hall, 'I do not believe in war, but f election after election goes against us I want you to know we will not endure it.' &c., and they point to the suffrage cheered the most anarchistic incitings o law breaking uttered by well known anarchists. They also point out that so conservative a man as Prof. Taylor. ter of a century, dwelt upon the affiliation of suffrage with socialism among by him before his departure.

The intelligent reader must decide upon the fairness of these propositions.

feminism? its leaders," said Dr. Baruch; "they it. It will certainly do less harm to certainly comprehend its aims better suffer while evils are sufferable than most eminent suffrage leaders, who is for light and transient reasons the Japanese to humble Russia, the ideas defines feminism in an article published under her own name as 'a worldboys have made themselves great and wide revolt, born of the instinct within every woman's soul, that God designed her not to be the slave or servant or dependent or plaything of the men of her family.'

> suffragist writer in 'The Truth About Woman, who says, 'We have now the male deserves the fate of 'the reached a new stage in the age long conflict of the sexes-the rebellion of male after being fertilized. voman.' She adds, 'The free power of selection in love-yes, that is the true | ican leader of the feminists holds, 'has female franchise-it must be regained been taken in as a kind of extra child, the sex relation and cleanse society of sews to keep him alive, then 'the lord the unfit. This means to be given civic of creation' should be relegated to a rights, that she may make laws that subordinate place, and 'the wife and shall render her economically inde- child should not be forced to take his

> "The editor of the Century Magazine, November, 1913, characterizes feminism November, 1913, characterizes feminism volt of women against being the 'slaves as 'the most thrilling engagement in or servants or dependents of men' they the war for freedom which began in the are entitled to emancipation from the caves and will end with mankind, in the introduction to an article in which cluding the franchise. we read: 'It is sex war; who doubts it?

. it is not likely that men will permit a woman to be changed peaceably let it be remembered that the Southern into whatever women in their search- fire eating politicians similarly ridi-"Hiram Maxim went without hat or shoes until he was 13, when he was their nature: in creative lines men ex- real interpretation of what we are call-

feminists, in importance all the discov- organized, as is shown by the publicaeries and creations of men. Humanity tion Fraucuemanzipation. That their could better afford to lose any or most organization must be complete and powof man's achievements than the family erful is proved by the recent formation life to which all that is best and noblest of a League for Combating Woman's in our nature is consecrated and by Emancipation, which already has 30,000 which it is conserved. What would members and holds regular meetings have been Abraham Lincoln's chances and will hold a great congress this sumif his mother and his stepmother had mer 'to drive a last blow into the coffin What of emancipation.'

"In France the term 'feminisme' originated. Their organization influenced President Poincare's election. In our own country the feminists are just organizing. Last week two meetings were held-at the Hotel Astor and the Cooper Union—and more are promised.
"The 'irrepressible conflict' is on, if

we may judge from these facts."
"What connection has suffrage with

her she had already begun her benef-better qualified to reply. The woman the fevered brow' of millions, but is invaluable to the physician and life sav-ing to the patient. This is the nearest feminism.' And the feminist writer approach to creative work that I know in the Century article holds that 'so-If female suffrage becomes estabcalled suffrage is a tiny part of the

"The alarming thought obtrudes itself begun by a man, the first epoch making here: If a 'tiny part of suffrage' pro-creation of woman in history. Eliza-duces the violent commotion by the beth Cady Stanton, Belva Lockwood, suffragettes and the more restrained but all pervading activities of the Susan B. Anthony, Anna Shaw, Carlos Chapman Catt and Mrs. Frederick suffragettes, what may happen when Nathan will then deserve to be ranked with the great statesmen of the world. with the great statesmen of the world. Like many great men they will have accomplished the task without 'opportunity' and handicapped until recent years by opposition and ridicule."

"Would you object, doctor, to stating the election of Lincoln, when it burst the election of Lincoln, when it burst the election of the content of the co our own position with regard to this forth into a flame that threatened to

"Susan B. Anthony and her couraacterized as 'not worth getting excited geous coworkers were suppressed by ridicule, but the agitation has smouldered "I do not quite agree with Profs. and is now reaching an acute stage, opens up as radical a change in the so- cataclysm predicted by Professors Sedg-

blundering terrors of the reconstruction When the anti-feminists cry with days imbues me with a sense of serioussated breath and anxious mien that the ness in this 'age long conflict of the

imately as serious as were those involved in this revolution the beneficent results to the world would be as grand: hence the price would not be too dear.
Then the anti-feminists retort that the 'The People,' and which contains the

"Prudence indeed will dictate that government long established should not be changed for light and transient reasons, and all experience has shown that mankind are more inclined to suffer while evils are sufferable than right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations pursuing invariably the same object evinces a design to reduce them to absolute despotism it is their right and it is their duty to pro-

"If women to-day are men's 'slaves or servants,' or are 'frightfully oppressed,' then by all means they and we should 'provide new guards for their future security.' The nation cannot exist, as Lincoln himself said, 'half slave and half free.' Let both men and women president of Vassar College for a quar- earnestly ponder if this justification exists.

us continue to try the experiment now in active process in ten States under true spirit until it is at least demon-You must excuse me from committing strated that the 'new guards for future security' will be beneficial to the people "What is your definition, doctor, of at large. Being a physician I believe "I prefer giving you the definition of hospitals if possible before prescribing suffer while evils are sufferable than than an outsider like myself. One of the change a government long established

Dr. Baruch summed up the matter

as follows: "Biologically. If 'the male is but an afterthought of nature,' as the feminists claim, and he is typified in the animal world by the bull that paws, by the rooster that crows, and the "This view is confirmed by a recent typified by the cow, the hen, and the bee, which quietly do the work, then spider which is destroyed by the fe-

"Economically, If man, as the Amerwoman, to be used by her to ennoble by the woman who rears, cooks and name.

"Politically. If feminism is a reyoke, by any means in their power, in-

"Historically. If the utterances of . . those who have watched the the feminists are regarded as the vaporings of emotional women that not worth getting excited over,' then culed the idea that 'the Yankee would early woman's rights shrickers were similarly ridiculed by the men. Result.

> "I have faith in evolution and the survival of the fittest.

"Whether the present discontent of women is due to biological, educational political or economic causes is the mo-